

House Record

From: Janice Magdalena [jang02@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 2:14 PM
To: House Record
Subject: Supporting Superferry

ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance
DATE: Thursday, October 25, 2007
TIME: 9:00 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is JANICE MAGDALENA and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. I believe that we have the right as Hawaii citizens to be able to travel to the other neighboring islands with freedom. It gives people a chance to see relatives, enjoy the other islands hence promoting tourism and providing income for the people residing in the other islands. Also, it provides convenience for us who reside in Oahu to take our vehicles. We don't have to deal with lack of rental cars especially during the busy holiday season. Also, we wish to bring our boat to the neighboring islands and we would be unable to do that without the Superferry. I hope you would consider our need to have Superferry as a valuable tool not only for personal use, but also for business use.

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From: Timmy Lopez [tlopez@gayandrobison.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 2:16 PM
To: House Record
Subject: super ferry

aloha,

I support the legislation for saving the super ferry! it will help Hawaii transportation get from point a to b. for me what I see is that people from all place moving to Hawaii is making it hard for Hawaii to get a head!. that's is really hard for Hawaii. we all should be moving forward. the people whom are trying to stop the ferry to operate shouldn't be saying that cars are going to flood the roads,beach,ect. because its the same thing when people moving to the islands...they bring all there cars and all there family and relatives here to stay... that's the ones that floods roads,beach,ect... when the ferry bring the cars and passengers to the islands ,they will be taking there cars back with them. daa!

thank you!
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House Record

From: Stephanie Nakamatsu [stephanie@banyanharbor.net]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 1:43 PM
To: House Record
Subject: Super Ferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Stephanie A. Nakamatsu and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I am all for the Super Ferry. It's good to have a choice of transportation within the islands. Should Go Airlines fold and the Super Ferry be forced to leave, we will be subject to high airline fares on Hawaiian and Aloha. I definitely do not want to hear some or all of the activists retract and say, "Maybe the Super Ferry would've been a good thing." Let the Super Ferry operate. They had the go ahead from the State to operate without doing an EIS. Why should they be penalized for an interpretation in the State's law? Why didn't the activists say anything several years ago when it was announced that the Super Ferry was coming? Wasn't a public hearing held? If there was one, why wasn't anything said then? I am very disappointed and embarrassed in the way the activists conducted themselves on Kauai. Dirt and invasive species do not choose to travel only the Super Ferry. They hitch on anything that travels via air, barge and cruises. So if we put restrictions on the Super Ferry, will the airlines, cruise lines and barges be subject to those restrictions also? I think not, so why target the Super Ferry. Give your approval for the Super Ferry to operate.

10/24/2007

House Record

From: San Henline [reflections_19@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 2:17 PM
To: House Record
Subject: Please help Kauai remain unique and beautiful

I work with tourists on Kauai. They have been coming for years and are now thinking that they can go to Oahu or Maui or just any other big city the way that Kauai is expanding and being over built and having traffic that is out of control. Our draw/charm is that we have enough but not too much so that those who want less can come the experience it, those who want nature can find it, and those who still need to shop til they drop are also happy. Each island is unique and by spoiling Kauai a big chunk of why peole visit our state is gone. Please leave us alone and/or help us build along with the needs of the islanders and guests and not rip out something that won't ever be replaced. I grew up in Waikiki in the mid 1950's and spent time on Maui in t he late 1960's and have seen what has happened to those once nice places. Over building and Superferry without an ENS can/will ruin our island. Please don't let that happen to Kauai. We are proud that we have tour uniqueness to share with visitors and want to keep it that way. Thank you for your consideration.
San Henline.

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House Record

From: Teddi Anderson [teddia@thelimiaco.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 2:27 PM
To: House Record
Subject: In Support of the Super Ferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Teddi Anderson and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

As a resident, business owner and active participant in Hawaii's tourism industry, I strongly support the Super Ferry. In particular, I believe the Super Ferry will benefit residents. Obviously, visitors may use it and I hope they do, but I know that the Super Ferry will help to unite families among the islands and will be there to support them long after the airfare wars are over and interisland flight costs climb again.

Having the type of interisland transportation that the Super Ferry offers is long overdue in the islands. Please, I request your support and approval to let the Super Ferry begin operating immediately.

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## House Record

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**From:** Leonora Prince [prince@interohi.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 2:34 PM  
**To:** House Record  
**Subject:** We need the superferry!

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Leonora Prince* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

*I love the marine life as much or more than anyone else. I think this is all about money to a select same few self centered people. We need this superferry to help us not only grow as a state and individual communities, but also to help small businesses be able to do business more effectively and affordably vs. the airlines and car companies and a few radical idiots Hawaii is full o. Most the people who show up to testify have nothing better to do but show up with their self serving speeches in hand, need to be seen and heard, then go back home to their homes and sleep around all day (the unemployed and the lazy). The working and business owners need this! Again to state: This is not about marine life, it is about money.*  
*Mahalo*

*Leonora Prince*

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## House Record

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**From:** Cindy Lullo [clullo@hawaii.rr.com]  
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**To:** House Record  
**Subject:** We Need the Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Cynthia Lullo and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry, and I will not be able to testify in person.

*I live on the Big Island and was excited about the prospects of being able to travel to other islands without having to fly. Please do what ever you can to keep the Superferry in Hawaii.*

*Sincerely,*

*Cynthia Lullo*

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**House Record**

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**From:** Adele Eggel [adeleeggel@hibr.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 2:10 PM  
**To:** House Record  
**Subject:** Superferry Testimonial

ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and Committee on Finance  
DATE: 10/25/07  
TIME: 9:00 AM Auditorium, State Capitol

RE: HB 1 Relating to Transportation  
Superferry

I am in complete favor of allowing the Superferry to immediately commence operation within the Hawaiian Islands. Just like it is imperative in case of emergency or disasters to have at least two access roads to hospitals and fire stations, our islands need several means of getting physically connected. Don't wait for a major disaster, be preemptive and open minded to the bigger picture. If the superferry flies, it will prove to be a needed commodity and productive to each islands' economy. Behind the scenes it will be an emergency safety net. I thank the Superferry conception for coming to Hawaii.

**Adele Eggel**  
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**From:** Dickyamazaki@aol.com  
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**Subject:** UNITE These Island's and the People, UNITE this STATE.

Unite the 'People' Unite this STATE'.

From the action's of the 'PEOPLE on the OTTER Island's It's "Clear these Island's ARE-NOT United.

This new form of Transportation should ' Help to Unite these People'.

inform them. Bring closure to Families. And aid in development of New opportunities for greater distribution of products among the Peoples of Hawai'i' .

**Take Action to "Unite These People, Unite This STATE'.**

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**From:** Gary Turner [gt4land@hawaiiantel.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 11:33 AM  
**To:** House Record  
**Subject:** HB 1 RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION

**ATTN:** House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance  
**DATE:** Thursday, October 25, 2007  
**TIME:** 9:00 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Gary Turner and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

Increased population in the last 50 years demand a more capable transportation network to permit the rapid movement people and supplies. This is especially needful to the Big Island being highly vulnerable to volcanic eruptions. This system is also overdue in supporting the flow of commerce. Wasn't a ferry system lost before?

For whatever reason the Hawaiian Government has found themselves in this predicament, a solution must be found to permit Super operations during the EIR as anything less will mire the State in years of lawsuits, promote a grave business impression to the rest of the world and deprive the State of overdue alternative transportation.

This is not to infer a lack of controls during the EIR, for stringent measures must be imposed to protect against proliferation of invasive species, terrorists, and harm to marine animals.

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**House Record**

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**From:** Stockup50@aol.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 2:37 PM  
**To:** House Record  
**Subject:** Superferry Testimony For The Record

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is [Michael K. Seabury] and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I believe that the Superferry is being welcomed unfairly to our Islands. Young Brothers, Matson, Horizon & other companies with vessels sailing to other Islands do not have strict policies in place like that being placed on the Hawaii Superferry.

Invasive Species - Young Brothers ship cars and freight like the Hawaii Superferry could carry. So why is the Superferry the only vessel that can carry invasive species to others islands?  
Whales - Towing of Barges and the cables that tow the barges can cut a whale in half. Whales have been very seriously hurt by boat / ship propellers, but the boats / ships continue to sail the seas. Only the Superferry will not be allowed to sail? We all knew the Hawaii Superferry was coming to the Islands for a few years now, docking areas were made ready for the vessel. It was only when it was ready to sail that issues came up to stop it. The Hawaii Superferry is being treated with prejudice.

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## House Record

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**From:** val gorski [algorski@gglbbs.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 1:59 PM  
**To:** House Record  
**Subject:** Hawaii Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Valerie J. Gorski* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

*I was so excited when I first read about a superferry going between the Islands. What a wonderful idea! In planning my next trip to Maui to visit with my mother (I was born and raised on Maui), I was including the superferry into our plans. I was so looking forward to a beautiful peaceful journey across the ocean which I do so love. I am so very disappointed in all the problems that are going on right now and just hope and pray that it will be solved very soon. It is very difficult to make plans since I just don't know if you will let the superferry operate. Thank you for taking the time to hear me.*

*Valerie J. Gorski  
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## House Record

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**From:** wkemail45-dma@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 1:57 PM  
**To:** House Record  
**Subject:** Supperferry - My Opinion

I would like to register my support for the continued operation of the Supperferry. I believe that the Supperferry provides us with another sorely needed means of transportation with our State.

I do not believe that the arguments put up by the neighbor island protesters are strong enough to warrant stopping the ferry from sailing.

Please don't let the vocal minority stop you from doing what is right for the whole State. Also, please develop some courage and by not giving in to these fanatics. Except for concerns for the whales, I believe their arguments are simply not valid. Hawaii is one state and not made up of separate countries. We should be able to travel unrestricted within our State without any undue burdens. So what if we take their rocks, or use their surf, or their campgrounds. If it is not against the law for a Mauian, or Kauaian, or Big Islander, then it should not be against the law for an Oahuan. And if people and freight are not screened when using Young Bros., the airlines, the cruise ships, etc., why should the Supperferry customers? Please separate the hysteria from the facts, PLEASE.

It is this kind of NIMBY thinking that is keping Hawaii from being really great State. Not only with regards to the Supperferry but with almost every major decision that the Legislature and the counties have to make. You need to do what is right and not what is politically expedient for your career. Even if it hurts some of the people, if it's good for most of the people, then you need to make sure that it is done.

I also want you to know that I do not have any vested interest in the Supperferry itself. I don't work for them nor do I have any friends or relatives that work for them. And they are not giving me any considerations for supporting them. I just believe that this is the right thing to do.

Thank you for your time and stand strong,

Yours Truly,  
Wayne T.I. Kim  
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## House Record

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**From:** Dick Dodge [dodger001@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 2:38 PM  
**To:** House Record  
**Subject:** Inter-Island Ferry

I strongly support the Inter-Island Ferry system. It would be particularly great for all the disabled who can't fly. On that basis alone, I would support it. In addition, there are an incredible amount of other benefits. The majority of our people want it and deserve it NOW!

## House Record

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**From:** Frank Reuter [fmr@hawaiiintel.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 2:37 PM  
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Frank Reuter* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

***As a resident of this state for thirty-two (32) years, I have seen not only the tremendous growth in population, but the tremendous lack of newly developed infrastructure to support such growth. This includes infrastructure for transportation. It is a proven fact, for example, that a new airlines acquires the licensing to enter our state for business, offers low introductory airfares to promote ridership, and suddenly finds itself in competition with other interisland carriers who have matched the low airfares to keep their business. Certainly this is the right of free enterprise; yet, the price gauging that occurred just prior to the introduction of the new airlines, makes one shiver at the thought of how much our local airlines were taking advantage of the consumer with one way fares rising to \$150 plus at one point. The new airlines arrives and there are no "outside" interest groups requiring an additional environmental impact study on the crowding of our skies.***

***I have also witnessed that for nearly every progressive change proposed in our great state, there have been a few special interest groups to clogg and detain the development of such changes. And even worse I see time and time again, our state legislature and judiciary supporting their rights over the vast majority of people whose rights have been denied simply because they are not as vocal. A few thousand people vocalize against the Superferry operation, while several hundred thousand residents go unheard. Where is the justice in that? Where is the support for the constituents that voted you into office?***

***Oh, let's blame the governor and the current State Departments for failure to see this was coming and failure to enforce the impact study. It's not the Governor, who has risen this state miraculously, and against all potllical odds, out of impending financial and social disaster and has accomplished more in just five years than most governors have accomplished in the past 25. Let's look at the Legislative body as the original source of error. Why? Because it is the Legisture who creates, or fails to create, appropriate laws and more specifically, appropriate wording within the proposed revised statutes submitted, wording often confusing, remiss in thoroughness and completion. When our legislature can truly stand up and be proud of a particular revised statute, not only in its content, but equally in its wording and instruction, then can we look at placing blame on other individuals.***

***Our new Superferry arrives on our shores to give residents an opportunity and another choice to travel to neighbor islands in a more pleasant, relaxing, and affordable transportation mode. It has state of the art equipment to include detective devises and provisions to provide safety for our marine life. It offers competion to various other modes of transportation, some by air and some by sea.***

***At nearly the same time, Young Brothers, a longtime shipper of produce, goods, and vehicles, sails a***



*new state of the art barge to carry its goods from island to island. The barge is attached to a tug like all others, with a long cable to pull it. No impact statement is required for this new barge. Yet, the dangers of a whale, for example, being thrust or caught up in the cable or the barge itself is much greater than such danger on the Superferry. The tug sounds an alert, so the whale moves away from the tug, but not necessarily away from the cable or the barge attached. Why is it any different? Why is there no requirement placed on Young Brothers to come up with an environmental impact statement of a new vessel placed into operation? Why are large cruise ships recently deployed for use between our islands not required to do the same? Why are we addressing the concerns of a few people who have fought every bit of progress over the years for the sake of stalling and/or preventing the freedom of enterprise that will give the majority of the people an opportunity never before allowed?*

***There are Ferries running daily in the Pudget Sound, from Seattle to various islands, from Vancouver, B.C. to Vancouver Island, and I do not recall that there were any difficulties encountered with marine life in these areas. There are Ferries running daily in the San Francisco Bay area and from Long Beach to Catalina Island in southern California. There are Ferries all along the East Cost of the U.S.A., such as Boston harbor, New York City. What makes Hawaii so arrogantly aloof to the fact that we are above all of these locations who have done such studies in the past and have years of proof that stands up against the ridiculously shallow arguments mentioned by such special interest groups?***

***What is really the problem here? That problem appears to be the hidden agenda, the not ever mentioned fact that Young Brothers, as one example, may tend to lose a great deal of business in the interisland transportation of vehicles and other goods, such as perishable produce from local farmers; or, that the Airlines industry will lose a few daily passengers, resulting in further revenue losses to an already plagued industry; or, that both national and local car rental companies will lose business from a select group of daily travelers.***

***The State of Hawaii itself can see the difference, especially in the transport of harbor equipment and rescue boats required from island to island. An example was given to me on a quote from someone working in the Harbors division in Kaneohe. To transport a set of equipment to a neighbor island, it would cost approximately \$2000.00 on Young Brothers and would take several days to arrive on the receptive shore. That same equipment could be driven on the SuperFerry for a total cost of \$700.00 and arrive within 3 hours of its departure. Minimal down time with a tremendous cost savings.***

***Produce could be driven on board in a large pickup truck for less than half the price of a long ride on Young Brothers, guaranteeing a fresher commodity to the residents and reducing the costs incurred through shipping and refrigerating perishables for a long period of time.***

***A family can travel for a weekend of relaxation for much less than the cost of four airline tickets and a car rental by driving their own vehicle on board. The arguments that there will be more cars on a neighbor island on any given day is one of the most ridiculous statements ever made. What should be said is that there will be far less car rentals on island, and those who bring their vehicles will not rent cars. Who, in their right minds, cannot see this, and furthermore, who, in their right minds would even repeat such reasoning if they have any basic head on their shoulders at all.***

***The fire ants, koki frogs, and other dangerous infestations will now get to another island on the Superferry. Maybe so! Can these insects and animals not find other means of transportation, or are other transporters so assured that they take precautions on every trip to ensure that no fire ants or koki frogs have jumped aboard. In my studies of science, I was not aware that the fire ant was intelligent enough to choose one mode of transportation over another. I missed that chapter and if that is so, I have to say: Well shame on the the Superferry for taking such reservations. I believe we should speak to their reservation department about such a blunder. Oh, but it's too late. All those reservationists have been laid off due to lack of work. They are currently collecting unemployment from our state coffers and could not be reached for comment.***

***The streets near the Superferry will be overtaxed and clogged with vehicles waiting to board or disembark. It seems to me that the streets near the harbors are already clogged and that a maximum of 284 vehicles in one hour during the day should not make that much of a difference, especially since the arrival and departure times might just be different than the busiest times on those thoroughfares. I've been in Kahalui, Maui many times and have seen the already clogged main highway through town to Wailuku. Nimitz Highway, along the harbors of Oahu's shores, certainly has no small traffic congestion***

problem of it's own. Another poor excuse.

**So where are the poor whales in all of this?** Wasn't it the initial argument that this vessel, with its higher speed of travel, was a danger to our whales and sealife? I guess that has not stood up in counter arguments from the Superferry group. It has been proven that, more likely than not, our whales will not be hurt by this simple mode of transportation. The small groups of interest begin groping for some other ammunition to promote their unsubstantiated statements.

**The real problem seems to be the prevention of free enterprise and business, and this prevention is certainly the mastermind of the "hidden" interest groups or businesses that fear the loss of revenues from years of being the only "kid on the block".** The arguments from the organizations "hired" by these interest groups or businesses, to send a message that the Superferry should not be operating without an environmental study, need to know that the majority of the public are far more intelligent than they would assume based on such ridiculous statements as "it will cause fire ants to be transported". Such testimony, if provided, is a waste of our legislators' time and should be stricken from the record.

**Let's move on already!** The Superferry, and others to come, needs to be a part of our daily transportation mode for many reasons listed above and for one additionally important reason. The Superferry can, and has clearly promised, to provide almost immediate transport and assistance to neighbor islands in the even of a major natural disaster, such as a hurricane or an earthquake. The people of Kauai who are against this transportation obviously never witnessed the past two hurricanes that devastated their island, and the months and years it took to get things back into place. They were not there to see that immediate relief could not even be flown in because of the airport damage and it took several days to evacuate the visitors who were stranded. With the Superferry in operation, help is less than three hours away, and has been offered as part of the operational contract commitment with the State.

**Shame on the judiciary. Shame on the Legislature!** Once again Hawaii's name is smeared in mud throughout the developed world. Not Business friendly, not supportive of new businesses and entities, always allowing activists with no real documented studies to intercept and cost the taxpayers and private companies hundreds of thousands, if not millions of dollars. I remember a famous quote from David Murdock not so many years. When asked how he could get so many things accomplished, he said simply, that one must not pay attention to all the special interest groups, because if one does, there will never be progress made and nothing will ever get done. One must ignore these small minority groups and move forward in progress and developmental issues. That is what he did.

**I advise the members of the Legislature and Judiciary to take a lesson from Mr. Murdock.** It's time that the State Legislature and Judiciary **STOP** catering to these special interest groups. The more you listen and stop progress in its path, the more they will sound off about the environment. And you are falling right into the palms of their hands. If they wish to be of use and protect the Aina, have them go to Waianae, where it was reported that the backroads are filled with dumped trash and debris. Is that not an environmental problem that should be attended to, rather than demonstrated to prevent something they have no proof of content? There is proof alongside the road.

**For all these reasons and especially for all the injustices imposed by small interest groups with no backup information to support their contentuous statements, and for the naivity of our Judiciary and members of our Legislature to allow activists to call the shots, I vote for immediate approval of the Superferry operation without question and I vote that future laws will address all entities fairly and in a nondiscriminating manner, so that any one entity will not have rights over another to "BARGE IN AND TAKE OVER while our SUPERFERRY must follow a separate rule."**

**Who's paying for this special session, the loss in operating funds of the Superferry, and the State funding required to keep it here?** I certainly hope that the Legislature and the Judiciary are addressing this issue. And I certainly hope that it is designated that these special interest groups, who have caused this entire fiasco, will be responsible to pay all attorneys' fees for both the Superferry and its plaintiffs. For the fees resulting in losses to the Superferry, for the WAGES of the hundreds of people without work right now, for the Unemployment insurance afforded these people from the state funds, for the State negotiating and funding of the Superferry, for the insurance premiums that have now gone skyrocketing, and for YOUR wages and the operating costs of convening a special legislative session to solve this problem.

***And to the special interest groups I have a suggestion. Go clean it up and occupy your time for the better of Hawaii as your claim to fame demonstrates. Demonstrate to avoid the dumping of debris in off roads throughout the state. Demonstrate to have the sewage lines replaced and put back underground rather than stand above and destroy the ambience of, and the landscaping of, Kalaniana'ole Hwy for over three years, or the Ala Wai canal for 18 months now. Go into neighborhoods and ask people to clean up their clutter and paint their places of business and/or homes to make it look neat, clean, and pretty. Go to the individual farmers and offer support in their efforts to keep some of the land in farmland. Go to the City streets and highway and clean the debris rather than having companies voluntarily do that work. Go to landscaped areas such as Nitimitz Hwy., once beautifully landscaped by Mayor Eileen Anderson, now run down and an eye sore to the visitors of this fine state. Go to the parks that are dry, lifeless, and poorly kept and activate your causes to clean it up, make them attractive with beautiful flowers and greenery. And there is so much more you can do.....DON'T find justification in stopping a new venture before it even has the chance to prove itself, and when you only assume that it is not safe to operate, but have no proof. Go where you SEE the problems, like I just mentioned. Take care of those first and we will be an environmentally beautiful and safer state.***

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## House Record

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**From:** Mary Dugar [mkdcsj@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 2:35 PM  
**To:** House Record  
**Subject:** HB 1

ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance  
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Mary K. Dugar and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I appreciate the fact that our environment must be protected, but feel that the Superferry will have no more negative effect than other forms of transportation currently used in Hawai'i. The company designed the vessel with these environmental concerns in mind, and have at no time indicated that they were neither unaware of potential problems nor unwilling to comply with whatever safety systems were advised. I'm afraid that the many people who would like to see the Superferry in business here are not as well organized as those who object totally to this venture, and because of this, the "silent majority" are not being heard. The Superferry can be a great boon to the economy and a fine alternative form of transportation for local families and groups. I ask that a fair look be given to this issue; one that will satisfy the needs and desires of all Hawai'ian residents, not just those who are focused solely on the environment. The company, which has acted in good faith for the past several years, should also not be punished because of the way a few judicial and legislative groups have "malfunctioned" with regard to the Superferry.

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## House Record

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**From:** Brooke Porter [brooke@pacificwhale.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 2:39 PM  
**To:** House Record  
**Subject:** OBEY THE LAW

Aloha, My name is Brooke Porter and I am a long time resident of Hawaii. I would like to start with stating that I have come to understand that the supporters, those in favor of letting Hawaii Superferry operate during an Environmental Assessment all seem to be desiring personal opportunities such as fishing, racing cars, paddling and expanding their businesses (just to name a few). I would like to say that there are many things in this life that I desire and many opportunities that I wish for; however, I will not be asking for an exemption from the law to obtain or acquire my personal desires. On that note, I urge the State of Hawaii to consider the implications of underwriting Environmental Law and allowing Superferry to operate during an Environmental Assessment and Environmental Impact Statement. Such ex post evaluations and assessments examine the actual consequences of completed projects, in other words serve only to state what damage has already been done. As mandated by National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the purpose of an Environmental Impact Statement is to assess the affected environment and offer a reasonable range of alternatives. I ask, how can the state of Hawaii allow Superferry to legally operate during an Environmental Assessment and Environmental Impact Statement? The process of an Environmental Assessment and Environmental Impact Statement calls for a range of "reasonable alternatives," the description of the affected environment and the analysis of the impacts. Is the state legislature asking that all of these be described following the irreparable and imminent damage to the environment? Please follow our state's Environmental Law and DO NOT Allow Superferry to operate during an Environmental Assessment and Environmental Impact Statement.

Sincerely,  
Brooke Porter, M.Ed.

## House Record

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**From:** Tj [FHS2000@hawaii.rr.com]

**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 3:22 PM

**To:** House Record

Save the Superferry it will be a waste of time and plus some of us never been or ride in the supferry.

Tony

## House Record

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**From:** JerryG [jerryg@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 2:43 PM  
**To:** House Record  
**Subject:** HB 1 RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION

**ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance**  
**DATE: Thursday, October 25, 2007**  
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**Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:**

**My name is *Gerald Gompers* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.**

*Gerald Gompers*  
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*Kailua HI 96734*

**House Record**

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**From:** Mitsuko Noji [hr@hankyu-hawaii.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 2:38 PM  
**To:** House Record  
**Subject:** Hawaii Super Ferry  
**Importance:** High

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Mitsuko Noji and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

*I was so happy to find out about the Hawaii Superferry. Now I am saddend that I might not ever get a chance to ride on it! I support the Hawaii Superferry because it gives some people the option to travel to either Kauai, Maui, or Hawaii isle. It can get a little costly for a family to travel to another isle, with air, car, hotel fees. Also it give you the freedom to take your own car. What we have here in Hawaii is all monopolized by the airlines & rental car agencies. When airlines are booked up, people can turn to another alternative to get to another isle. IN the long run, it can only bring income to the islands. How can Hawaii get ahead, if we keep going backwards?! Some people are afraid of flying on airplanes, but are ok with boats...so they might opt for the Superferry and visit another isle. Of course i am concerned with the evnviroment and the damaged that might be cuased becuase of the Hawaii Superferry. But what is the difference between the cruise ships, container barges, and the Superferry? Its just really sad that some of the people of Hawaii oppose the Superferry. We are the laughing stock of the country! Does Hawaii have to go thru more shame & riddicule?! I surely hope not! I urge you to vote in favor of the Hawaii Superferry to operate!*

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## House Record

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**From:** T. Laride [hwnterrier@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 2:35 PM  
**To:** House Record  
**Subject:** Superferry Testimony - Support

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Tracey Laride* and I strongly support the Hawaii Superferry. I have watched and heard, through the live video cast, what the people on Kauai have said in their meeting with Governor Lingle. I can see why a Superferry supporter may not testify in that hostile environment. However, after listening and consideration of the anti-Superferry arguments, I still strongly support the Superferry. Additionally, I agree that the temporary Hawaii Inter-island Ferry Oversight Task Force may be a good idea.

I support the Superferry because it:

- *Will benefit the State of Hawaii economically in providing local small businesses the ability to sell their produce and/or expand their businesses in Hawaii*
- *Provides a much needed alternative and easier means of transportation for residents, local sports groups, schools, clubs, and people with medical needs or handicap that want to use their own cars that have been specifically constructed/outfitted for them.*
- *Has considered and taken steps to mitigate foreseeable environmental and traffic impact on Hawaii as evidence in their 1,476 page document, "Hawaii Superferry Commitments and Actions Environmental Concerns". The document is accessible through their website. Concerning whales, the Pacific Whale Foundation has had their run-in with whales (<http://starbulletin.com/2006/03/11/news/story04.html>). Matson "is routing its faster ships outside sanctuary waters that contain more whales" (<http://starbulletin.com/2004/02/27/news/story3.html>)*
- *Can be an additional or only venue of transportation for immediate disaster aide response and disaster recovery needs. The Superferry can transport in one trip more cargo than one plane can provide*

Thank you for your time in reading this and your careful consideration. I regret that I will not be able to submit my testimony in person.

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Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 2:54 PM
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

Kindly request you approve the operation of the Super Ferry in Hawaiian waters.

The approval of this service will prove to be a beneficial method of transportation for the residents of Hawaii, now and in the future.

r/

Andrea L. Yahiku
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Caveats: NONE

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From: Earl Mostoles [earlm007@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 2:27 PM
To: House Record
Subject: I Support the Hawaii Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Ernesto Mostoles and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. I believe the Superferry will stimulate the economy of Hawaii and provide a great service to the people of the **State of Hawaii**.

I work for a furniture store here on Oahu. When a customer on a neighbor island purchases furniture, we take the furniture to Young Brothers on a Thursday to ship to whatever island they live on. The customer must wait days for the barge to arrive. Then when the barge arrives they must wait for Young Brothers to unload the barge, by the time their furniture is available for pick up, several more days may have past.

One of my customers from Kauai pointed out to me that if the Superferry was in service they could bring their pick-up truck over, pick up the furniture here on Oahu, and drive it back to Kauai. This would take a minimum of two days, since the Superferry will only make one trip per day to the neighbor islands.

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I have a few customers who live on the mainland and own a second home on the neighbor island. Because of the time window (days) their furniture would be available to pick-up at the dock, it is difficult to coordinate a trip from the mainland to the neighbor island to coincide with the availability for pick-up of their furniture. With the service of the Superferry, coordination of that trip would be so much simpler.

Another advantage is businesses on the neighbor island would be able to save time and money in transporting goods from Oahu to the neighbor island. Businesses on the neighbor islands could just send a truck over to Oahu, load up on the goods to transport back, and drive back to the neighbor islands. Therefore, saving time and money.

Sincerely,

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Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 2:59 PM
To: House Record
Subject: Hawaii Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

Hello, my name is *Shelby Hylton* and I strongly support the Hawaii Superferry. I support the Superferry because it is another way to go between the islands especially when you are not able to fly. When my mother had to have eye surgery on Oahu, she was not able to fly back home right away since my father had passed away at that time. My family had to search for a way for her to get back to Maui. Finally, they found some sort of fishing boat to get back to Maui, if the Superferry was in service, it would have been a lot easier.

Also, it's an incentive for tourists to be able to visit other islands. And it is a new way to see the islands without taking a cruise ship.

Thanks for your time,

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Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 2:48 PM
To: House Record
Subject: Support for the Hawaii Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is James Bauckham and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry for the following reasons:

1. The convenience it offers for inter-island travel is sorely needed. Another option besides planes and barges would be a great benefit to the state.
2. Personally, I work in the construction industry and we do projects on all islands. The ability to send men with their trucks and tools in one day instead of 1 week is an amazing advantage to our industry. We all could work more efficiently and complete our projects sooner. Additionally, we could avoid project delays due to the 4 to 7 day time frame it takes to get material from Oahuto the neighbor islands. Last minute items could be put on the ferry and arrive the same day.
3. In my opinion, people and vehicles have been traveling between the islands on planes and barges for more than 50 years. The Superferry is not fundamentally changing this process, only making it faster and more convenient. Environmental concerns must not be ignored, but we can't let this fantastic opportunity slip away. A compromise with the environmentalists must be reached to allow the Superferry to operate while the environmental review is being conducted.

Thank you,

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From: Brenda Yonamine [manoaglass@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 2:52 PM
To: House Record
Subject: Support the Hawaii Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Brenda Yonamine and I strongly support the Hawaii Superferry. Let's get past the politics and onto the real issue of Aloha. With the superferry, neighbors will get to visit neighbors, sell their products on the islands without worrying about high shipping costs, and help each other out with supplies and equipment when or if disaster strikes, such as a hurricane.

Please look beyond the politics and consider what will benefit our ohana in the future.

Mahalo,

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House Record

From: Nancy Overton [NancyO@leisinc.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 2:38 PM
To: House Record
Subject: Support for the Hawaii Super Ferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

I am in support of the super ferry. I am a firm believer in letting the ferry stand on its own merits. I urge you to let this private enterprise make it or break it on their own. Not allowing them to operate because of a minority of protesters is in violation of the rights of the vast majority and private business. As our chosen leaders in a democratic society where the majority rules, how can you allow this to happen?

If you listen to the underlying tone of the protests, they have nothing to do with the environment. The biggest objection in their voices is having more access to "their" island. Who made it "their" island. Are we not a "state"? Giving these people the power to control who visits "their" island is an awfully dangerous precedence to set. It also opens up the door to discrimination litigation against the state.

I believe the ferry offers options to the local people and local businesses never available to them before. Just imagine how it will open up more trade opportunities between the islands and the income that will overflow into the communities.

On a side note: Who will pay for the harbor improvements that have been made? I certainly do not want to absorb these costs, do you?

Please listen to the majority.

Mahalo,

Nancy Leis Overton

Resident of the State of Hawaii

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From: Jim Kane [jilkane@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 3:14 PM
To: House Record
Subject: super ferry support

Aloha,

Tonight I am going on a business trip to Seattle and I will make it a point to ride on the ferry out of their just for the experience of it one more time. I am sure that you are aware that Washington State has a large ferry system that is vital to their economy and an icon of their waterborne heritage. There system is part of the DOT and the waterways are part of the state highway system. They have whales and environmental issues to deal with as well but they did not let it get in the way of making it work.

Hawaii has a waterborne heritage too and I look forward to a time when Hawaii has a ferry system that enhances our islands by helping them get better connected, and I hope it is soon. .

With the super ferry in operation the people of all of Hawaii will see a great advancement in commerce and (local) tourism. Vendors from Kauai and Maui will be able to transport their goods everyday instead of waiting for the next barge; local tradesmen will have the advantage of taking their own vehicles, equipment, and tools to provide services on other islands; and everyone will have one more way of visiting another island. I see this ferry system as a way to strengthen Hawaii's economy throughout the islands. For example, I have nine family members coming to visit me on Oahu for two weeks during the holidays and I would love to take them to Maui overnight via the super ferry. However if the super ferry is not operating, we will all stay on Oahu because the desire is to experience the ride across the ocean with them. It is an opportunity that I am praying for and believing that God will make it happen.

The super ferry as a great step in making Hawaii an even better place to live and visit, thank you for supporting the super ferry!

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House Record

From: Sally Youngblood [sallyyoungblood@hotmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 3:08 PM
To: House Record
Subject: HB1: Hawaii Residents need Ferry for inter-island Travel-Transportation& Finance Committees

Sally Youngblood
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Oct. 24, 2007

Dear Senators:

The hostile reaction of some residents of Maui and Kauai to a modern, ocean friendly, boat illustrates just how much this state needs this ferry. Our islands will become more united with this option for inter-island travel.

Thank you,
Sally Youngblood

Climb to the top of the charts! Play Star Shuffle: the word scramble challenge with star power. [Play Now!](#)

House Record

From: Polly.A.Varize@courts.state.hi.us
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 3:14 PM
To: House Record
Subject: I SUPPORT THE SUPER FERRY!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Polly Ann Varize, and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I would like another way of Transportation besides the airlines to go to Oahu. I am very disappointed in the people who think that the Superferry is a bad for the islands or the economy or the whales.

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House Record

From: mac moyle [macmoyle@optonline.net]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 1:44 PM
To: House Record
Subject: HB 1 RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Ken and Rena Mac Moyle* and we strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

Please Please Please get the Superferry going.

The Superferry will be a great asset for tourism and a greater asset in an emergency.

God Bless,
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House Record

From: TFox2345@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 3:15 PM
To: House Record
Subject: SUPERFERRY

To Chair Souki & Oshiro,

My wife and I (Thomas & Margie Fox) support the Superferry and believe it should be allowed to be in service while the Environmental Impact study is being made.

Hawaii needs the ferry as available back up transportation in the event of an airport disaster as well as a convenient means of going between Islands. We believe that the potential harm to the whales and the islands is being projected way out of proportion by those who oppose the ferry.

Thank You for taking the time to address this important issue.

Thomas & Margie Fox
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From: Gary Bannon [gbannon@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 3:22 PM
To: House Record
Subject: The Great Superferry

ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Gary Bannon*] and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I can not understand why when we already have cruise ships, container vessels, private boats already going to the other islands, why the "Superferry" is being singled out for this type of treatment. The percentage of people who want it are in the "over-whelming" majority. It's good for business, it's good for tourists and locals alike, it offers additional ways of getting to the other islands for those who are not able to fly and makes the moving of goods easier.

For those who do not think we need tourists they may not have ridden our pothole filled highways, attended a class in one of our Waianae schools, or have seen the trash filled roadways that we have to view everyday.

We need to try everyway possible to get additional monies into the State's coffers to try to remedy just a few of our numerous problems. Tourism is a great solution by offering them more ways to spend their money and to enjoy their Hawaiian experience. They'll want to continue to come back and feel that they have received great memories for the money they have spent.

If they win this, the Environmentalists will be after Trump and Disney to halt their plans on building additional places for the world to come to and enjoy. Maybe they'd be happy to see the Hawaiian Islands become another Haiti, one of the poorest islands that no one wants to go to.

Please allow to Superferry to do what it was supposed to do, make it easier to travel inter-island and not allow this fiasco to continue any longer.

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10/24/2007

House Record

From: Susan J. Hansen [rentalmgt@clarkhawaii.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 2:53 PM
To: House Record
Subject: HB 1 Relating to Transportation

ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance

DATE: Thursday, October 25, 2007

TIME: 9:00 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

(Written Testimony only)

My name is Susan Hansen and I strongly support the Hawaii Superferry. If the possibility of hitting whales is the big issue, require the Superferry slow to the speed of the cruise ships during the 3-month whale season (*the cruise ships didn't require a full environmental impact study!*) Or, suspend service during whale season, but keep this business in our State.

My goodness, do we really need one more very public reason which stops mainland and foreign companies from wanting to do business in our State? Is that what this is really all about? This is the 21st century, we need new business interest and we need to send the message that we're 'Open for Business.' Some other State will jump at the chance to have *our* Superferry and we will lose out, yet again, on a very good thing.

Thank you for your time and research on this issue.

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House Record

From: Jayne [jayne@foster-realty.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 2:58 PM
To: House Record
Subject: Hawaii SuperFerry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Jayne Peterson and I strongly support the Hawaii Super Ferry. I live in Waianae and would love to be able to commute to the other islands in our OWN STATE.

Our State has been divided by distance. Don't let this opportunity for transportation aboard the super ferry slip away from us.

Sincerely,

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House Record

From: Shirley Choy [honeysadsam@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 2:56 PM
To: House Record
Subject: Superferry Testimony

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Shirley Wong and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. It provides alternative transportation to residents in Hawaii. Now, the only transportation to go to interisland is by plane, why can't we have an option to choose? It brings tremendous benefit to the state. If the State allows cruise ships to dock, why not the Superferry? Please allow us to have an option for transportation.

Mahalo,
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From: Elizabeth J. Anderson [hifreeinspirit@earthlink.net]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 2:42 PM
To: House Record

Hello is anyone home, We Need the Supper Ferry, furthermore if you don't do what we can to keep it here it will damage this states financial growth in the future. As it is The News that those citizens who live here are Anti-Growth, this news has gone around the world in the news media, discouraging future business from coming here and that will effect how OUR children live in the future, will they have to go to the mainland to have a future, what will be available here when that time comes, Taro growing, its time to wake up and stop discourages the advancement of business that we need here in the islands, if we continue down this stupid path our children have No Future Here!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Its a simple as that!

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House Record

From: Linda Sato [lsato@fhh.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 3:08 PM
To: House Record
Subject: Hawaii Superferry Testimony

Importance: High

Attn: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance Date of Testimony
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Linda B Sato and I STRONGLY SUPPORT HAWAII SUPERFERRY.

My testimony is simple - There is absolutely no reason why the Superferry should not be able to do business during the EIS.

The fact that we were going to have the Superferry was of great excitement to my family members whose next trip to Oahu is February 2008. They had already planned on using the Superferry for their planned trips to Kauai and Maui. They visit Oahu every 2 years, and were very much looking forward to experiencing leisurely water travel instead of the usual air travel.

To force this business to leave Hawaii would be a terrible, terrible tragedy and would certainly not reflect well for other businesses who might consider Hawaii as a "home port".

I, as a Hawaii resident, would be very, very ashamed to see the Superferry leave us, and would certainly make my annoyance well heard during subsequent elections.

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From: Plumbguy@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 3:53 PM
To: House Record
Subject: Super Ferry

Sirs,

I'm all for the Super Ferry between the islands simply because this form of transportation will allow a customer to ship his car, van, truck and or equipment easier and faster and more economically than by barge or other means. I'm a plumbing contractor that occasionally has work on the neighboring islands and the ferry will keep my cost down which will help people on the islands with lower construction cost.

If we had the ferry operating after EWA and ENIKI hurricane damage, cost of goods and construction to rebuild Kauai would have be a lot lower than it was. I wonder if these people remember?

Aloha,

John Spencer, 295-4426

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From: Linda Sato [lsato@fhh.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 3:13 PM
To: House Record
Subject: FW: Hawaii Superferry Testimony

Importance: High

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Mike Nua and I STRONGLY SUPPORT HAWAII SUPERFERRY.

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From: Tita5178@aol.com
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Valerie Holmes and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I moved here seven months ago from Seattle, Washington and brought my Mother with me. She is from Vancouver Island, B.C. Canada. Both of those areas have ferry systems that are very much a part of the communities and very important to the inter-island transportation in Washington state and the province of B.C..

I think that it is a wonderful way for ka'amaina to visit friends and family on the other islands and/or make short trips with the family. It is also a way for tourists to go to the various islands for short stays and get a taste of the various cultures.

An environmental study was done in both BC and Washington and continue to be done periodically, but the benefits far outweigh the potential problems. Please bring ferry transportation to the beautiful state of Hawaii.

Mahalo,

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House Record

From: Alaya De Noyelles [alaya@aloha.net]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 3:30 PM
To: House Record
Subject: FW: Stong Opposition to HB 1 PLEASE READ

From: Alaya De Noyelles [mailto:alaya@aloha.net]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 9:02 AM
To: 'testimony@capitol.hawaii.gov'
Subject: Stong Opposition to HB 1 PLEASE READ

TO: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance

DATE: Thursday, October 25, 2007

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Alaya DeNoyelles and I **strongly** OPPOSE HB 1 and Hawaii Superferry, and call for an EIS first!.

I live in the Wailua Homesteads in Kapaa and I feel that it would be INCREDIBLY detrimental to our island. PLEASE do what is right – Listen to your true inner voice and DON'T allow this Superferry to invade and destroy our island!!

I will not be testifying in person.

Respectfully Submitted,

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House Record

From: Emily Hawkins [ehawkins@hawaii.edu]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 3:09 PM
To: House Record
Cc: Rep. Cynthia Thielen
Subject: Support for Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

There are so many reasons that I want the Superferry to go forward and I am gravely worried that it will fold if it is not allowed to operate now while the EIS is being done. Ferry travel has been one of the joys in travels to Victoria, B.C. and New Zealand. We have both taken a vehicle and gone on simply as passengers. There is a specialness to being able to ride along the coastlines and see the land from the ocean. It has also been one of the best ways to see marine life. On the way to Victoria, the ferry operators let us know when there were killer whales to be seen and the ferry did not disturb them. Many years ago we camped on Maui for a week. We sent our VW van by Young Bros. with all our camping gear in it. The times that we shared with the other campers, both local and visitors, were worth the few days that we needed to wait before the van was back on O'ahu. We are paddlers looking forward to being able to participate in races on other islands, something that is not monetarily feasible now except for the BIG events.

Some of the fears expressed are out of proportion for the reality of what will happen. Car traffic will not increase that dramatically over its current level. The traffic jams caused by a big event such as the state championship canoe race will not change. Maybe those who can afford to spend a few days on the island will take their own cars, and the majority will still be in cars, just rental ones. A business man going over for the day will not want to spend 3 hours on the superferry and will still need a rental car. A fisherman may take his own car, but then there will be one less cooler of fish in airport baggage.

I am a strong proponent of preventing invasive species from entering Hawai'i and for protection of Hawai'i's unique flora and fauna. So let's have a strong bill that addresses this issue and penalizes those who are responsible, but let's not stop a new form of transit.

My name is Emily Hawkins and my husband John and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

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House Record

From: LARRY VAUGHAN [vaughanl001@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 3:14 PM
To: House Record
Subject: Hawaii Superferry

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro,

I want to take this opportunity to express my support for legislation that would allow the Superferry to begin operation. I understand the concerns of people who are opposed to this legislation but I am convinced that the benefits of this service will far outweigh any negative effects. Thank you for responding to this problem promptly.

Sincerely,

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